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Your reference

12 April, 2000  
Air Mail

Dear Mr. Stevens,

Thank you for your letter of 27 March about your family history. The Rector of Westbourne also passed on the letter you sent him. It seems simplest if I reply to both from the Record Office.

I had a quick look in the published list of Westbourne monumental inscriptions (published in *Sussex Archaeological Collections* Vol. 22 pp.201-213) but found none for a Stevens or a Windebank. Of course a large number of burials are not marked by gravestones and so it will be worth searching the burial registers. A check in the International Genealogical Index produced the marriage of George Stevens and Charlotte Windebank at Westbourne on 22 February 1827. It also produced three possible baptisms for George Stevens at Westbourne (as the enclosed photocopy indicates). There was no Sussex baptism for Charlotte Windebank – though it is quite possible that she may turn up in Hampshire as Westbourne lies at the county boundary.

I would strongly recommend you to visit this office when you come over in September as I think the most likely source material will be here. We have census indexes from 1841 to 1891 and the Westbourne parish registers right up to the 20<sup>th</sup> century – and there may well be other material which could prove helpful. I enclose details of our location, opening hours etc.

The family lore that associates William Stevens with the Navy is certainly credible as Westbourne could be said to be very much within the “catchment area” of Portsmouth. It is, I understand, very difficult to trace information about seamen, because up to 1856 the Navy did not keep any kind of central record of ratings – and the only way of tracing them is through the records of the individual ship in which they served. So I cannot offer much encouragement on this theme - but it would probably be worth an enquiry to the Portsmouth Record Office anyway. The address is Portsmouth City Record Office, Museum Road, Portsmouth, PO21 2LJ.

I hope you have a successful and enjoyable time when you come over in September.

Yours sincerely,



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## STEVENS, GEORGE

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COUNTRY ENGLAND

COUNTY SUSSEX

AS OF MAR 1992

NAME	M=MALE F=FEMALE H=HUSBAND W=WIFE FATHER / MOTHER OR SPOUSE OR RELATIVE	T Y E P E	EVENT DATE	TOWN, PARISH	B	E	S	SOURCE		
STEVENS, GEORGE								BATCH/ FILM NO		
STEVENS, GEORGE *	GEORGE STEVENS/CHARLOTTE	M C	12JUL1801	WESTBOURNE	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	21FEB1979SL	C070171 5422		
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZABETH HELLYER	H M	12AUG1802	WEST WITTERING	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	04MAR1980OK	M071321 0800		
STEVENS, GEORGE *	GEORGE STEVENS/ELIZTH	M O	19DEC1802	WESTBOURNE	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	21FEB1979SL	C070171 5520		
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/HANNAH	M C	08SEP1805	HEATHFIELD, INDEPENDENT NC	22APR1975PV	21MAY1975PV	20JUN1975PV	C042191 0490		
STEVENS, GEORGE *	SAMUEL STEVENS/LUCY	M C	25NOV1805	WESTBOURNE	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	21FEB1979SL	C070171 5745		
STEPHEN'S, GEORGE	FRANCES ELLIOTT	H M	11MARI807	WARBLETON	31OCT1978PV	02DEC1978PV	05DEC1979LG	M042841 1150		
STEVENS, GEORGE	HENRY STEVENS/SARAH	M C	10JUL1808	HURSTPIERPONT	30JUN1978SL	03AUG1978SL	02FEB1979PV	C070662 1582		
STEVENS, GEORGE	/SARAH STEVENS	M C	16OCT1808	DONNINGTON	27MAY1989SE	21SEP1989SE	05OCT1989SE	C070371 0838		
STEVENS, GEORGE	JOSEPH STEVENS/MARY	M C	07JAN1810	SEAFORD	28NOV1978AZ	07FEB1979AZ	J148481 2854	C070891 13893		
STEVENS, GEORGE	/ELIZABETH STEVENS	M C	28JAN1810	PETWORTH	24JUN1967IF	08AUG1967IF	23SEP1969SL	P014001 1774		
STEVENS, GEORGE	JAMES STEVENS/SUSAN	M C	30AUG1812	EDBURTON	21NOV1978SL	11JAN1979SL	23FEB1979SL	C070171 6276		
STEVENS, GEORGE *	JOSEPH STEVENS/ELIZABETH	M O	15AUG1813	WESTBOURNE	29NOV1978AZ	08FEB1979AZ	29JAN1980OK	M070881 0013		
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZABETH CARTER	H M	24JAN1814	PAGHAM	29NOV1978AZ	08FEB1979AZ	28MAR1979AZ	C070891 14718		
STEVENS, GEORGE	JAMES STEVENS/JANE	M C	11APR1819	PETWORTH	29NOV1978AZ	08FEB1979AZ	28MAR1979AZ	C070891 14758		
STEVENS, GEORGE	WILLIAM STEVENS/ELIZABETH	M C	25AUG1819	PETWORTH	18JUL1978PV	05OCT1978PV	04NOV1978PV	C076171 0024		
STEPHENS, GEORGE	WILLIAM STEPHENS/FANNY	M C	19MAR1820	LEWES, TABERNACLE HIGH STREET-INDEPENDENT	12APR1980WA	06JUN1980WA	24MAR1989NZ	F186130 0006		
STEVEN'S, GEORGE ΔΔ	MRS. GEORGE STEVENS	H M	<1822>	EASTBOURNE	12APR1980WA	06JUN1980WA	24MAR1989NZ	F186130 0006		
STEVEN'S, MRS. GEORGE ΔΔ	GEORGE STEVENS	W M	<1822>	EASTBOURNE	12APR1980WA	06JUN1980WA	17JUN1980WA	F186130 3083		
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/ANN	M C	08JUL1826	LODSWORTH	02MAY1980MT	06SEP1980MT	18SEP1980MT	C093021 0160		
STEVENS, GEORGE	BENJEMAN STEVENS/DELIA	M B	09JUL1826	WADHURST, SHOWER GREEN	02MAY1980MT	06SEP1980MT	02DEC1989AZ	M148461 1374		
STEVENS, GEORGE	HARRIET COLEMAN	H M	30OCT1826	FRANT	12JUL1978WA	200CT1978WA	09NOV1978WA	C071341 0407		
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/	M B	1827	EASTBOURNE	21NOV1978SL	12JAN1979SL	17MAR1989NZ	1860130 6		
STEVENS, GEORGE	CHARLOTTE WINDEBANK	H M	22SEP1827	WESTBOURNE	21NOV1978SL	12JAN1979SL	08SEP1981SL	M070171 2063		
STEVENS, GEORGE	STEPHEN STEVENS/JANE	M C	30DEC1827	WOOLBEDING	13FEB1990SG	23JUN1990SG	31JUL1990SG	J148321 1753		
STEPHENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEPHENS/CHARLOTTE	M C	03FEB1828	WESTBOURNE	08DEC1978WA	06MAR1979WA	29MAR1979WA	C070781 3734		
STEPHENS, GEORGE	CHARLES STEPHENS/SUSAN	M C	15JUN1828	WESTBOURNE	04JAN1829	WURGASHALL	02MAY1980MT	09SEP1980MT	18SEP1980MT	C093021 0212
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/HANNAH	M C	22JUN1828	LURGASHALL	04JAN1829	WADHURST, SHOWER GREEN	02MAY1980MT	09SEP1980MT	08SEP1981SL	M070171 2084
STEVENS, GEORGE	RICHARD STEVENS/ANN	M B	04JAN1829	WADHURST, SHOWER GREEN	04JAN1829	WADHURST, SHOWER GREEN	26JUL1989JR	M147935 0175		
STEVENS, GEORGE	MARY TIPPER	H M	04JAN1829	WESTBOURNE	26APR19880G	31AUG19880G	06SEP19880G	J152042 0847		
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZABETH WALKER	H M	28MAR1829	BRIGHTON, SAINT NICHOLAS	06JUL1978SG	10NOV1978SG	15NOV1978SG	C070111 1145		
STEVENS, GEORGE	SAMUEL STEVENS/ANNE	M C	28JUN1829	BUXTED	22NOV1978SL	12JAN1979SL	23FEB1979SL	C070171 7248		
STEEVENS, GEORGE	EDMUND STEEVENS/HANNAH	M C	01DEC1829	SOUTH BERSTED	13FEB1990SG	23JUN1990SG	31JUL1990SG	J148321 1753		
STEPHENS, GEORGE	HENRY STEPHENS/FRANCES	M C	03JAN1830	WESTBOURNE	14FEB1990SG	18JUL1990SG	15AUG1990SG	C148091 4056		
STEVENS, GEORGE	WILLIAM STEVENS/ZILPAH	M C	25APR1830	PATCHAM	14FEB1990SG	18JUL1990SG	15AUG1990SG	J148482 0933		
STEVENS, GEORGE	JOHN STEPHENS/Alice	M C	17FEB1833	LEWES, ALL SAINTS	14FEB1990SG	18JUL1990SG	15AUG1990SG	C148091 4056		
STEVENS, GEORGE		M C	16MAR1834	SEA福德	14FEB1990SG	18JUL1990SG	15AUG1990SG	J148482 0933		
STEVENS, GEORGE	THOMAS PARKS STEVENS/MARTHA	M C	14SEP1834	RINGMER	03DEC1988NZ	28APR1989NZ	30JUN1989NZ	C148332 1025		
STEVENS, GEORGE	RICHARD STEVENS/ELIZABETH	M C	28MAR1836	HURSTPIERPONT	31OCT1978PV	06JAN1979PV	30JAN1979PV	C070662 5893		
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/ELIZABETH	M C	17APR1836	LEWES, TABERNACLE HIGH STREET-INDEPENDENT	18JUL1978PV	05OCT1978PV	04NOV1978PV	C076171 0223		
STEPHENS, GEORGE	ELIZA PENIGAR	H M	14FEB1837	TICEHURST	02NOV1978PV	10FEB1979PV	06SEP1979LG	M013842 2094		
STEVENS, GEORGE	HENRY STEVENS/MARTHA	M C	08JUL1838	KIRDFORD	12MAY1989LG	13JUL1989LG	20FEB1979PV	C070701 7691		
STEVENS, GEORGE	RICHARD STEVENS/MARY	M C	22DEC1839	STREET	02NOV1978PV	10FEB1979PV	11SEP1981SL	C042752 0020		
STEVENS, GEORGE	HANNAH BOXALL	H M	22APR1841	KIRDFORD	02NOV1978PV	10FEB1979PV	17FEB1979PV	C070701 8089		
STEVENS, GEORGE	WILLIAM STEVENS/ANN	M C	05MAY1844	KIRDFORD	25NOV1978SL	13JAN1979SL	28FEB1979SL	C070171 8427		
STEVENS, GEORGE	GEORGE STEVENS/MARY	M C	11OCT1846	WESTBOURNE	12JUN1991OG	18JUL1991OG	13AUG1991OG	C148092 0350		
STEVENS, GEORGE	JOHN STEPHENS/JANE	M C	23FEB1851	LEWES, ALL SAINTS	12JUN1991OG	18JUL1991OG	11SEP1981SL	M070701 2367		
STEVENS, GEORGE	RHODA THOMAS	H M	02JUN1851	KIRDFORD	12JUN1991OG	18JUL1991OG	21SEP1981SL	M070161 1477		
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZA ANN WEDGE	H M	25OCT1851	BOSHAM	05DEC1978AZ	10FEB1979AZ	29MAR1979AZ	C070891 18211		
STEVENS, GEORGE	CHARLES STEVENS/SARAH	M C	12DEC1851	PETWORTH	26APR19880G	01SEP19880G	06SEP19880G	J152042 1967		
STEEVENS, GEORGE	MATHEW STEEVENS/JANE	M C	04JUL1852	BUXTED	15MAY1853	UCKFIELD	13FEB1986PV	8524031 19		
STEVENS, GEORGE	LOIS WEAR	H M	15MAY1853		09DEC1978WA	07MAR1979WA	28JUN1989LG	M025283 0455		
STEVENS, GEORGE	EMILY JAMES	H M	13JUL1856	LURGASHALL	06SEP1856	NEWHAVEN	05JUN1991MT	M148292 0588		
STEVENS, GEORGE	/FANNY STEVENS	M C						N= CENSUS W= WILL		
STEVENS, GEORGE	ELIZA STOCKS	H M						A = ADULT CHRISTENING B = BIRTH C = CHRISTENING D = DEATH OR BURIAL F = BIRTH OR CHRISTENING OF FIRST KNOWN CHILD M = MARRIAGE		

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